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SPECIAL SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 29, 2023

- I. Call Meeting to Order-Mayor Garza called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. Roll Call-By Deputy City Secretary Haley Maywald. All council is present with Nathan Stroleny present via phone.
- III. Invocation-Mayor Andrew Garza gave the invocation.
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States-The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was led by Haley Maywald.
- V. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas-The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Haley Maywald.
- IV. Public Comments
NONE
- VII. Announcements and Correspondence
NONE

BUSINESS

1. Consideration and Action to convene into **EXECUTIVE SESSION**. In accordance with Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code (Deliberations about Real Property), the City Council may go into executive session to discuss the following:

a) Discussion on the Wastewater Sewer Treatment Plant.

b) Pursuant to Section 2206.053 of the Texas Government Code, the consideration of the use of eminent domain to condemn the following property, owned by the E. Mark Katzfey GST Trust, for the continued maintenance, operation, and use of the Wastewater Sewer Treatment Plant:

Real property located at the southeast corner of U.S. Highway 59 and the Union Pacific Railroad, out of a called 183.42-acre tract described in a deed to Mark E. Katzfey GST Trust as recorded in Volume 429, Page 162, Official Records, Live Oak County, Texas, all being out of the Richard Roman Survey, Abstract 414, in Live Oak County, Texas.

More specifically, the property to be considered for acquisition by the City is:

1. Fee simple title, excluding mineral rights, in approximately 2.74 acres of property for the operation, use, and maintenance of the Wastewater Sewer Treatment Plant; and
2. The following easements:
 - a. A 50' wide access easement of approximately 0.120 acres;

- b. A 50' wide sanitary sewer and force main easement of approximately 0.140 acres;
- c. A 10' wide water line easement of approximately 0.050 acres;
- d. A 10' wide force main easement of approximately 0.080 acres;
- e. A 10' wide effluent pipe easement of approximately 0.010 acres; and
- f. A buffer zone easement of approximately 30.70 acres.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Patricia Clifton. All in favor. The council entered into Executive Session at 5:42 p.m.

Reconvene

Zoom ID: 899 2963 8482

Zoom PW: 793022

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Patricia Clifton. All in favor. The council reconvened at 5:58 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

2.Consideration and Action to adopt Resolution No. 2023-06, authorizing the use of eminent domain to condemn real property owned by the E. Mark Katzfey GST Trust.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Patricia Clifton.

Roll Call Vote

**Place 1 Nathan Stroleny- Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem/Place 2 Jearl Rannefeld-Aye
Place 3 Patricia Clifton-Aye
Place 4 John Walker-Aye
Mayor Andrew Garza-Aye**

All council members voted in favor. Resolution was adopted. Mayor Garza added that Mr. Katzfey and the City of George West have not come to an agreement. As a result, we are being forced to enforce eminent domain.

ORDINANCES

3. PUBLIC HEARING Consideration and Action to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 920 amending the Personnel Manual Section III Employment Policies and Procedures (F Probationary Period) by amending (2) and (4) and Section IV Employee Benefits and Compensation (A INSURANCE) by amending (2) and moving all previous numbered sections down and amending (F ANNUAL LEAVE) (2), (5) and (9) and moving all previous numbered sections down, (H) Special Absence Leaves (6).

Mayor Garza opened a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. The hearing was closed at 6:01 p.m.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Patricia Clifton. Open for discussion. Shirley Holm stated that we took out section 3 the probationary period and left it at 3 months. Under the insurance part, the only thing we added is an example of when a person would become eligible. Under health leave right now employees get 5 sick days per year. We would like to increase that by 2 more days, for a total of 7 days per year. That would be a total of two weeks if you include the 3 days of PTO. Mayor Garza recommended that we combine the PTO and Health Leave. So, we will change that to 10 days total for Health Leave. The section for PTO will be deleted. Shirley Holm also recommended changing the total for annual leave accumulations to fit the PTO hours. Take out number 6 completely. Annual leave earned only may be transferred to another employee.

Mayor Garza entertained a motion to postpone agenda item #3 until the modifications have been made. Move as read by Patricia Clifton. Seconded by John Walker. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Adjournment.

Move as read by John Walker. Seconded by Patricia Clifton. All in favor. The Council meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
D'Ann Lane, City Secretary

SIGNED: _____
Andrew Garza, Mayor